

The Daily Courant.

Wednesday, October 15. 1707.

London, October 14.

THE last Letters from Harwich advising, that all the Pacquet-boats are kept on this Side by the Easterly Wind which still continues; 'tis probable we shall have no Mail from Holland in some Days: Wherefore we take this Opportunity, to present the Publick with the Pope's Monitory (or Declaration) of Excommunication against the Duke of Savoy's Ministers, Officers, and others concern'd in making and publishing certain Edicts, &c. to the Prejudice of the pretended Liberties of the Church, and the Authority claim'd by the Apostolical See. Which we chuse to give at large, though it will take up several Courants, because the Facts enumerated by the Pope for the Causes of his Excommunication, serve for a fresh Instance, That whatever Catholick Prince has the Spirit and Sense to exert his Sovereignty for the Good and Benefit of his Subjects, in preventing the Riches and Lands of his Dominions from becoming useless to the Protection and Defence of the State by being swallow'd up in the insatiable Gulph of the Church, which according to the Clergy can regorge nothing, must inevitably bring upon himself the Thunder of the Vatican.

CLEMENT. XI. Pope.

For the future Memory of the Thing.

WHEREAS formerly upon Information receiv'd by our Predecessor Pope Innocent XII. of happy Memory, that the Ministers of our Beloved Son the noble Victor Amadeus Duke of Savoy and Prince of Piemont, and his Lay Magistrates, particularly the Commissioners of the Registry and Contracts, as also the Senates of Nice and Turin, had done and attempted several things, not only contrary but injurious and even destructive to the Authority of the Apostolical See, the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, Liberty, and Immunity; and directly against the general Councils and sacred Canons, and the Constitutions of the Roman Pontiffs our Predecessors: In particular, our said Predecessor Innocent being inform'd, that first of all, namely on the 18th of September 1697, the said Commissioners of the Registry and Contracts publish'd a printed Edict, in which among other things they did by the 6th Section injoyn, under certain Penalties therein express'd, the Syndicks, Councillours, Secretaries, and others who for the Time being had the Administration and Government of the Cities, Districts, and Places of the Dominions of the said Duke Victor Amadeus, not to grant for the Future any *Placet* (or License) to any Person to go into Ecclesiastical Orders; or if already enter'd into the lower Orders, to be promoted to the sacred Orders; much less to make any Contract touching the Patrimony of the Church; without first informing the Officer call'd the Patrimonial Official-general, of the Applications made and by whom made to them for obtaining the said *Placet* or Grant, transmitting

likewise to the said Official an Account as well of the Qualities and Capacities of the Persons, as of the Number of the Parochial Churches in the said Cities Districts and Places, of the Ecclesiasticks celebrating Mass, of those who though promoted to holy Orders do not yet celebrate, and of other Clergymen dwelling within the same; also of the Number of Friars and Nuns, and of the present Valuation of their Incomes, together with Information which have Parents and which not, and whether the Estates or Effects they may be possess'd of, be not under some Obligation or Tenure to the Communities or the Publick of the said Cities Districts and Places; to the End that the said Official might be able to make a due Report to them the Commissioners, that so they might determine what was fit for them to do in granting the said *Placet* and settling the Patrimony, with Regard to the Indigence of the Church and the Regulations of the Council of Trent; our said Predecessor Innocent order'd our venerable Brother the Archbishop of Turin, to use his best Endeavours to procure a due Moderation or Explanation of so much of the said Edict, as is prejudicial to the Ecclesiastical Liberty and Jurisdiction: Which for 27 Months he did all he could to effect, though in vain; till at length on the 17th of December 1699, the same Edict was publish'd anew, with an additional Declaration, that the Design of the Orders prescribed by the Edict on its first publication, was, that the Patrimonial Official general, supplying the Negligence of the particular Officials of the publick Communities, might with the greater Exactness represent the State of those Communities to the superiour Clergy, that they out of their Prudence and Equity might apply a Remedy to the Prejudices arising to the said Communities from the too great Number of Ecclesiastical Persons, by proportioning that Number to the Necessity and Use of the Churches, and by reducing the Exorbitancy of their Incomes according to the Intention of the aforesaid Council of Trent. But this Declaration being found insufficient; after repeated Instances to no purpose during 3 Months to obtain what might be sufficient, an Edict was at last set forth by the foresaid Archbishop on the 20th of March 1700, by which so much of what the foremention'd Commissioners had first publish'd, as the said Archbishop judg'd to oppugn and infringe the Ecclesiastical Liberty and Jurisdiction, was declar'd null.

Likewise, it came to the Knowledge of our said Predecessor Innocent, that on the 12th of July 1699 an Edict was publish'd by lay Authority in the City of *Hypporegium*, by which the publick Officers were commanded with all Expedition and Care to give Information of (or to return) all Ecclesiastical Persons, Universities, Bodies, and Colleges, that did not pay towards the annual Land-Tax, for the Estates specified in the general Roll, and possess'd by them; as also the religious Fraternities who had like Possessions; (tho' they stood exempted from paying for them not only to the said Tax but also to all other Impositions;) to transmit

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the said Information to the Commissioners of the Registry, and in the mean time to proceed to the Sequestration of the Profits of the Estates specified in the general Roll, without any Respect of Persons; and other Injunctions to the said publick Officers were contain'd in the said Edict, in Prejudice of the Ecclesiastical Liberty and Jurisdiction. Further, our said Predecessor receiving Advice, that Publication of the said Edict was made in other Cities of the Principality of Piemont; to have the more certain Information, he wrote to all the Bishops of that Principality to send him the true State of the Matter, and in the mean time to be vigilant in the Defence and Preservation of the Ecclesiastical Liberty. And it appearing by their Answers, not only that the said Publication had been made in divers Places, but that many other grievous Abuses, in Prejudice of the Ecclesiastical Immunity and Jurisdiction, had also crep'd in among them: besides the particular Remedies prescrib'd according to the Exigency of particular Cases, the foresaid Bishops were commanded in general, by the Congregation of Cardinals of the holy Roman Church to whom at that Time the taking Care of the Ecclesiastical Immunity, and Cognizance of Jurisdictional Controversies, were committed, to publish a contrary Edict, for securing and preserving the Rights of the Church, and putting a Stop to the new Prejudices that might increase daily; Which Order was executed by some of the Bishops of Piemont. But the Publication of these contrary Edicts, namely, both that by the Archbishop of Turin against the Edict issued as is aforesaid by the Commissioners of the Registry on the 18th of September 1697, and renew'd the 17th of December 1699; and that expressly commanded by the said Congregation of Cardinals, and perform'd by the then Bishop of *Hypporegium* and some other Bishops against another Decree publish'd as is abovemention'd in the said City of *Hypporegium* on the 12th of July 1699; being relesed by the Commissioners of the Registry, they did, at the Instance of the Patrimonial Official general, set forth on the 12th of May 1700 a new Edict, or Rescript as they term it, which was printed, and publickly affix'd; and therein declar'd, that it could not be the Intention of the said Archbishop to make void their first promulgated Edicts; and though it were his Intention, yet it was not in his Power; and therefore declaring the Edict of the Archbishop invalid and void, they commanded that their own Edicts should be observ'd in all Points and by all Persons, notwithstanding what the said Archbishop had done to invalidate them; admonishing him besides, not to obstruct the Execution of them for the future, on the Penalty of Sequestration of his Temporal Estate: and in the same manner they declar'd void the other Edict promulgated as is said above by some Bishops, declaring that it could not be the Intention of those Bishops to disturb their Jurisdiction by an opposite Edict; and though it were, yet they had no Power to do it, nor to hinder the levying of settled Taxes that were *accustom'd to be paid by the Possessors of the Estates specified in the general Roll, nor the Execution of Edicts publish'd on that Account; they also injoyn'd the Obedience of the said lay Edicts in all Points, under corporal Penalties to the Laity; and admonish'd the Bishops, to forbear obstructing the Execution of the Edicts, or the levying of the Taxes, under the Penalty of Sequestration of their Temporal Estates.

* The Estates specified in the general Roll, paid certain Taxes while they were in the Possession of Laymen; but when the Clergy got them into their Hands, either by Purchase or Donation, they claim'd Exemption from those Taxes.

At the Desire of several Persons of Quality.

By her Majesty's Company of Comedians.

AT the Queen's Theatre in the Hay-Market, this present Wednesday, being the 15th of October, will be reviv'd a Comedy, call'd, *The Taming of a Shrew*; or, *Sawney the Scot*. All the Parts being perform'd to the best Advantage by the whole Company.

This Play is Sold by J. Knappton at the Crown in St. Paul's Church-yard, and B. Lintott next Nando's Coffee-House, Temple Bar.

AN Entertainment by Mr. CLINCH of BARNET, who imitates the Flute, Double Curtell, the Organ with 3 Voices, the Horn, Huntsman and Pack of Hounds, the Sham Doctor, the Old Woman, the Drunken Man, the Bells: All Instruments are perform'd by his natural Voice. To be seen this present Evening at 7 a Clock at the Three Tun Tavern in West Smithfield. Price 1 s.

At the Queen's Arms in Moor-fields near Old Bedlam-gate, there is to be Sold a New Organ, made by one of the best Artists who serv'd his time with Mr. Smith; which contains several fine Stops, as the Diapason, the Flute, an open Diapason half way, a Fifteen, a Mixture, a Cornet, a Voxamane, and a Trumpet.

This Day, at 5 in the Evening, at Tom's Coffee-house adjoining to Ludgate, will continue the Sale by Auction of the English Books in Folio, No. 218. Page 34. contain'd in Bibliopolii Hulseiani Pars Prima: or, A Catalogue of valuable Greek, Latin, Italian, French, Spanish, English, &c. Books, in all Faculties and Sciences, well and fairly bound. Catalogues may be had at the Place of Sale.

For Sale by the Candle.

To Morrow the 16th of October 1707, at the Marine Coffee-house in Birch Lane, at 3 a Clock in the Afternoon, will be sold a large Parcel of Narrow brown Cloth, colour'd and strip'd Linnens, Broad Lawns, Shocks, Sale Cloth, &c. To be seen in 2 VVarehouses on Burdolph-VVharf till the time of Sale. Note, In some of the Printed Papers it was insert'd by mistake to be sold at the Crown Coffee-house behind the Royal Exchange.

This Day is publish'd,

The Charge of the Bishop of Gloucester deliver'd to the Clergy of his Diocess, in his late Triennial Visitation held by Commission. Printed for John Wyat at the Rose in St. Paul's Church-yard. Price 3 d.

Just Publish'd,

Memoirs of the Marquis de Langallerie: Containing an Account of the most secret Intreagues of French, Spanish, and Bavarian Courts; and the most remarkable Battles, Sieges, and Encampments, in Germany, Spain, and Flanders, with the most Considerable Treaties and Alliances made with France from the Year 1687 to 1707. Intermixt with several Original Private Letters (never before made Publick) by the French King, Cardinal Portacarrero, (relating to the late King of Spain's Will,) Duke of Anjou, Elector of Bavaria, Charles the 3d King of Spain, Monsieur Auverquerque, Duke of Marlborough, Duke of Ormond, Monsieur Fagel, &c. Printed for R. Burrough and J. Baker at the Sun and Moon in Cornhill, E. Curll at the Peacock without Temple-Bar, and Egbert Sanger at the Post-house in the Middle-Temple-Gate, Fleetstreet. Price 5 s.

Just publish'd,

Sir William Cavendish's Memoirs of the Life of Cardinal VVoolsey, Legate for the Pope, Archbishop of York, Bishop of VVinchester, Lord High-Chancellor of England, and Principal Minister of State in the Reign of K. Henry the Eighth. Containing I. His Rise and Excessive Power. II. His Embassies, Negotiations and Treaties of Peace with Germany and France, &c. III. His Secret Transactions in Church and State. IV. The Plots of the Nobility against him. V. The King's Descent into France. VI. An Account of the Perpetual Peace 'twixt the English and French, sign'd and sworn to by both Kings. VII. The Cardinal's Contrivances to humor the King's Amours and Entertainments. VIII. His Fall, Last Speech, and Death. To which is added, A Memorial against Favourites, presented to Q. Elizabeth, VVritten by the Lord-Treasurer Burleigh. The 2d Edition. Sold by B. Bragg at the Raven in Pater-Noster-Row.

Just publish'd the 3d Edition of,

The Corruptions of the Church of Rome, in relation to Ecclesiastical Government, the Rule of Faith, and Form of Divine Worship. In Answer to the Bishop of Meaux's Queries. By the Right Reverend Dr. Bull, Lord Bishop of St. Davids. Printed for Richard Sare at Grays-Inn-Gate in Holborn, price 6 d. or 40 s. per 100.

Ready for the Press.

Annals of the History of Religion and other remarkable Occurrences in the Church of England, during the first Twelve Years of Queen Elizabeth's happy Reign. Wherein Account is given of the Restoration of Religion from the Corruptions of it introduced under Queen Mary: Of filling the Sees with protestant Bishops: Of the famous Synod of 1562. Of the Practices of the Papists, and of the first Appearance of dissension from the Church establish'd. Compiled out of Papers of State, Authentick Records, &c. of those Times: By John Strype M. A. This Book will contain 150 Sheets: The Price to Subscribers will be 16 s. in Quires. Proposals are deliver'd out by the Author, and by John Wyat at the Rose St. in Paul's Church-yard.

Next Term will be publish'd,

The New State of Great Britain and Ireland; and there will be a Number of that Part call'd Scotland, (now North-Britain) and also that of Ireland, printed to be Sold by themselves, to supply those who have bought the former Edition of the New State of England. To be Sold by H. Mortlock and J. Robinson in St. Paul's Church-yard.